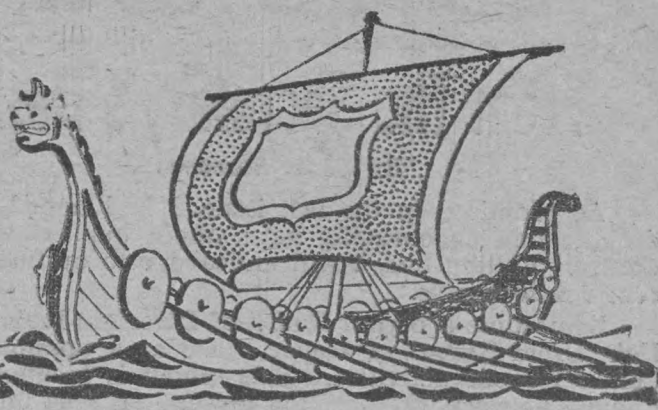


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Icelandic Society

Mrs. Edna Garnett was justifiably pleased to receive a letter of thanks from Fru Dora Thorhallsdottir, wife of the President of Iceland, His Excellency Asgeir Asgeirsson. While the visitors from Iceland were in Alberta, Mrs. Garnett, by reason of kinship with the gracious lady, presented her with a gift of remembrance, a souvenir from Edmonton, and unexpectedly received a letter of appreciation.

During the recent convention of Quota Clubs of the western provinces recently held in Edmonton, Mrs. Laufey Parry, President of the Lethbridge Branch, and Miss Lillian Stevenson, President of the Winnipeg Branch, visited with relatives and friends in the city. Mrs. E. A. Robertson entertained for Mrs. Parry, the former Laufey Enerson, and another delegate, Mrs. Beth Melleske of Prince Albert. Mrs. Don Cameron arranged a family gathering in honour of her cousin, Miss Stevenson, who was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. George O'Hara while here. Miss Stevenson continued on to Vancouver at the conclusion of the Convention.

Mrs. Florence Pratt, of the city staff of the Saskatoon Star-Phoenix, and Mrs. Zoe Dallas spent the weekend in Edmonton as guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Sumarladason.

In recognition of United Nations Week the Icelandic Society joined with other ethnic groups in the various activities planned for the general observance of the wide-spread influence of the U.N. The initial tea held in the Hudson's Bay Auditorium was well attended by many members of the local Icelandic group. At the flag-raising ceremony and the banquet held in the Corona Hotel, others of the group attended. The closing concert, held in the Alberta College Auditorium on Saturday evening of the week of dedication, featured a parade of flags in which the reigning queen, Mrs. Margaret Cameron, acted as standard bearer for the club. Her photograph, in the ceremonial robe of office, was a part of the display in the windows of the T. Eaton store.

Another successful dance was held at the Club Mocombo on the evening of October 14th, and all who attended claimed a most enjoyable time. As these dances become better known, more enthusiasm is evident, and requests for a repeat of the same type of party are heard. The Dance Committee, under the capable direction of Mr. Ernie Ledger, invite all folk—young and old—to join in the gaiety on November 24th. Now is the time for you to set the date and plan on attending.

The many friends of Mrs. G. O. Gislason will wish her great improvement following the two operations performed on her eye to correct a long-standing impairment.

A visitor at the W. Bachman home in Jasper Place was Mrs. Bach-

Finnish Society

The Finnish Society will hold their annual bazaar November 3 at McCauley Hall, commencing at 8:00 p.m. We hope there will be a good turnout of items as we want to make this, our annual bazaar successful. Coffee will be served and dancing will follow.

Sydammellinen kiitos, kaikille jotka muistitte minua ihanilla vauvan varusteilla. Erikoisesti tahdon kiittää Mr. ja Mrs. John Sahuria jotka taman yllatoksen minulle kotiinne jarjestitte.

—Mrs. Aira Salomaa

Mr. T. Nahguri wishes to express his sincere thanks to the Finnish friends who helped him celebrate his Fiftieth birthday. Thank you.

Thanks go to Mrs. V. Ristola who was the hostess of last month's sewing circle. The next sewing circle will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. P. Utunen, 10923-131 Street, on November 14.

Lots of luck and good health for Mr. and Mrs. E. Tikkanen of Rich Lake, Alberta, in their new home.

Mrs. M. Carlson of Edmonton wishes to thank all her friends, far and near, for the lovely gifts which she received on her 82nd birthday recently.

Mr. and Mrs. T. Nahkuri celebrated their 25th anniversary on October 7. This was an extra special occasion because Mr. Nahkuri also celebrated his 50th birthday on the same day.

Norse Ruins In Newfoundland

Norwegian explorer Helge Ingstad, in an interview with The New York Times, reports that his Vinland Expedition has discovered pre-Columbian ruins on the northern tip of Newfoundland. In his opinion, these finds confirm previous studies indicating that Norsemen from Greenland landed in North America some 500 years before Columbus. Dug-up fragments, sent to Oslo University, will be tested with radioactive carbon to determine their age.

Nearly buried ruins of seven European-type houses, including one with a Viking style great hall, were unearthed at Lanceau Meadows, a few miles west of Meade Bay. Mr. Ingstad said he believed the buildings had been used by Leif Eirikson who, according to Norse Sagas, landed at Vinland in the year 1000 A.D. Saga descriptions of Vinland, he said, correspond amazingly with geographic and topographic conditions at the ruin site.

man's sister, Mrs. Bucholz of Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Steve Benediktson of 16421-106 Avenue, Jasper Place, on the birth of their daughter, Susan Rosa. Mrs. Rosa Benediktson of Red Deer spent two weeks in the city with the happy family.

DANIA (Danish Society)

On October 4 a sad and tragic car accident, which took place a few miles east of the city on Highway 16, claimed the lives of two Danes and seriously injured a third. Jens Thomsen and Laurits Hansen of this city were killed instantly, and Leif Jensen of Ryley was injured, when their car was in collision with a truck. The men were homeward bound after finishing a job in Vegreville, Laurits going home to prepare for his wedding two days later. Jens and Laurits were friends; they worked together, they died together, and now they rest together, sadly missed by many. Their families, employer, and close friends have asked your correspondent to convey a word of sincere thanks and appreciation to Jens' and Laurits' many friends for their kindness and esteem in the many floral tokens.

Our sympathy goes out to Leif, who is still in hospital, and his family in Ryley. Please accept our best wishes for a speedy recovery.

A number of friends of Jens Thomsen and Laurits Hansen have suggested that a stone should be erected over their resting place. If you wish to contribute to this, please contact Mr. Walter Jensen, 11503-97th Street, Phone GR 7-6031.

The Dania Football Club held their annual banquet and dance on Friday, October 13, in the South Side Legion Hall. A large number of people attended, and, judging by the many smiling couples on the dance floor, a good time was had by all. Our apology goes out to the many people who would have liked to attend this yearly event but did not get their "News" until too late. Our editor will answer to this and add her apologies to mine.

Don't forget your Danish radio program with Eric Petersen at the mike. You will find him on CKUA every other Sunday at 2:30 p.m. Eric has a lot of new records on hand and will give us a varied program of songs and tunes we all like to listen to, as well as news from Denmark and the latest happenings right here in Edmonton within our churches and our club. And please—now that winter is here we all have the time—after Eric signs off, write to him and tell him what we think of his program, and perhaps tell him what we like or don't like. I am sure he will appreciate it. Just write to Eric Petersen, c/o CKUA Radio Station, Edmonton, Alberta. The program will be heard on October 29, November 12 and November 26.

At the general meeting of the Dania Gymnastic Club held on September 26th in the Masonic Temple, Borge Noesgaard was elected President, and Ole Engen Vice-President. Other Board members elected were: Betty Petersen, Treasurer; Kirsten Henriksen, Secretary; Helge Welling, Publicity; Ingeborg Kristiansen, Telephone; and Robin Smith, Board Director.

Coffee was served at the end of the meeting.

The gymnastic club started the

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Buford

Vasa Lodge No. 577

Our September meeting was badly interrupted and attendance was very poor due to the disastrous fire which destroyed the dairy barn of Clair Pearson on the same evening, September 28. Fire was first noticed about 7:00 p.m. while he was milking, but he was able to save his cattle and some of his milking equipment. In view of the high wind it was fortunate that no other buildings burned.

Clair was burned quite badly about the hands and face, and was completely incapacitated for a couple of weeks. However, he is coming along fine now and is again able to work.

Buford Lodge has taken over the organization of "work bees" to build a new barn, and Brother Arnie Dixon was appointed co-ordinator. At the time of writing work has been going on for about three days with remarkable co-operation from Lodge members and many district neighbours, and the first stakes of the barn have progressed so rapidly that the lumber can hardly keep up with the builders. It is wonderful that such a small Lodge as ours is able to help members in distress to such an extent. If the good weather continues, Clair will be able to bring his cows home again before long.

Clair would like to thank all those responsible for this effort, and special thanks to his brothers who took over his milk cows during the unfortunate time.

All the Lodge members, with the exception of a few who were not able to attend, enjoyed a wonderful Thanksgiving supper in the Calmar Hall on Wednesday, October 11, catered to, in a superb manner, by Brother William Sol.

We are glad to learn that Bob and Barbara Pearson's infant son, William, is home from hospital and doing fine.

Most Lodge members attended the wedding of Glen Park Hall on Monday, October 16, of Gladys, only daughter of Frank Carlson, to F. O. Colin Copeland of Saskatoon. A delicious supper was served by the Glen Park Ladies' Club, and the entire affair was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Many thanks to the Carlsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bredin of Warburg, daughter and son-in-law of Mrs. Frank Carlson, held an auction sale on October 18 as they are leaving the farm to enter the hardware business in Warburg.

The Buford Lodge Children's Club, Framat (Forward) held their first meeting of the season on Sunday, October 1. Leader Floyd Modin reports much enthusiasm among the children, so a good season should be in store. Election of officers for the coming term was held, with the following results: Chairman — Karen Pearson; Vice-Chairman — Alda Markstadt; Secretary — Warren Pearson; Treasurer — Marilyn

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Vasa Lodge

Skandia No. 549

Skandia Lodge held their monthly meeting on October 7 at the I.O.O.F. Temple. Initiation took place with the following joining our fraternity: Mrs. Pearl Hober and Pauline Johnson. The drill team performed their duties as usual.

Ray Samuelson has purchased Joe Malmstren's cabin at Vasa Park.

Mrs. Ray Nyroos resigned from the Children's Club, and Raul Nyroos will assume her duties as children's leader.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Nyroos and Elwood Johnson were elected on the Social Committee for the remainder of the year. Mrs. Betty Pearson will be chairman.

LADIES' AID

The ladies held their meeting at Mrs. Milda Beckstrom's home. Plans for the smorgasbord were made. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Irma McMaster's home at 12228-127 Street on November 18. Plans for the coffee party at the Bay on December 11 will be arranged. Home baking and gift items will be needed to sell.

Mrs. Helen Ryley and Mrs. Nellie Anderson have been patients in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Hazelwood had their baby daughter christened on Sunday, October 8.

Mrs. Harold Lundgren and daughter have been visiting relatives and friends in Edmonton.

Mrs. Anna Johnson has gone to Vancouver to visit her sister.

Sons Of Norway

LUTEFISK DINNER, NOVEMBER 18

Sons of Norway traditional classic has been arranged for Saturday, November 18, at the Masonic Temple. Dinner will be served from 5:30 until 8:00 p.m. In addition to the traditional lutfisk, meatballs, lefse and other Norwegian special delicacies will be served.

On stage in the auditorium running from 8:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m., will be "Parade."

The evening will be concluded with a dance until midnight. Tickets may be procured at \$2.50 per person from Social Director K. Syidal, at HU 8-6558, or from other members of the Sons of Norway.

NOVEMBER 10, SALUTE TO "TRONDHEIM OG NORD NORGE"

Among the highlights of this members' social evening will be initiation of new members. Among the special committee reports which will also be heard, will be that of the Nominating Committee in respect to the election of officers which will take place in December. A delightful social hour makes this another evening that members of Sons of Norway will not want to miss.

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+ EDITORIAL +

From The Secretary's Desk

By S. A. Sorenson

As promised in the last issue, I had hoped to have definite and encouraging news about our Scandinavian Centre. Failing this, I will endeavour to outline the recent developments.

Some time ago your Board of Directors looked at the Holy Cross School in Jasper Place as a possible future Centre for our activities. This school is located on 114 Avenue between 151 and 153 Streets. It was built some four or five years ago by the Jasper Place Separate School Board at a time when they expected a considerable housing development in the area. Since then the Town of Jasper Place has rezoned this area for light industrial use, and consequently the School District wishes to dispose of the school; the Directors have felt that we could make good use of it.

What are some of the advantages of the Holy Cross School?

1. It is situated on an area of approximately 7 acres. This would give our Centre an adequate recreational area, as well as additional space for expansion of the school unit.

2. It can be bought reasonably, we could pay cash for it and thus fix the cost of capital investment.

3. We could use the school immediately without any major alterations.

4. It would give the Scandinavian Community a chance to see if they can work together.

Some of the disadvantages are:

1. In adapting the school to our use it will be more difficult to make it conform to the plans already in existence for our Centre.

2. It is three blocks from a main artery, namely 111th Avenue. It is therefore not readily accessible to those who wish to use a bus. There are no main roads leading to the school site.

3. It is located in a light industrial area.

The general conclusion to which your Board has come is that if the school can be bought at a reasonable price we would be wise to purchase it. Your Board has offered \$70,000 and it has been refused. The Jasper Place Separate School Board has been asked how much they want for the school; they in turn have set up a Planning Committee which is to report to their Board on November 14. At that time we hope to have an answer to the question of price.

If their price is too high, we would be wise to take a second look at the 142nd Street location and see what we can do for the same money there.

SORRY!

My most sincere apology to all associations and readers for the lateness of the October issue. A number of circumstances combined to result in the delay. We will earnestly try to make sure that this does not happen again.

Since it is very difficult for me to find the time to contact everyone personally, I will take this opportunity to again remind everyone that the deadline for material for the paper is the 20th of the month. Heretofore news and ads received as much as a week late have been accepted and published. As of this issue this will no longer be the case. *Nothing will appear in this paper which is not in my office on the 20th of the month.* I repeat — **NOTHING.** If we are establish a definite date for publication, there can no longer be ANY deviation from this date.

We are most grateful to all those readers who have donated to the "News" since we made an appeal for this assistance. However, the need still exists and every contribution, no matter how small, is deeply appreciated.

Eileen Peterson



Performing as a sad-faced clown with a circus at Boston's arena, Pat Kelly is following in the footsteps of a famous clown—his father, Emmett.

Concern In Sweden

The Soviet Union's nuclear tests in the Arctic have caused widespread concern and discussion in Sweden. The letters-to-the-Editor columns of the newspapers have been full of comments, and a recent demonstration is said to have included even members of the small Communist youth organization. Sweden and Norway are close neighbors of the Soviet Union in the north, and when the Russians exploded their first test bomb in the Arctic several years ago, Scandinavian scientists immediately noted a manyfold increase in radioactive fallout over the area. Ever since, scientists in Sweden have kept a close watch, even bringing a number of young Lapps to Stockholm for a series of laboratory tests. Early in October it was said that the fallout had not yet reached the point where it is dangerous for human beings or animals.

Frogmen - archeologists are presently exploring the Sognefjord, West Norway, in an effort to localize the battle of Fimreite, June 15, 1184, in which King Magnus Erlingsson was killed, according to accounts in the Norse King Sagas.

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Dania Gym Club

Our gymnastic activities for the winter started on October 16 at Oliver School on 117 Street and 102 Avenue.

About 45 ladies responded to our call and enjoyed a wonderful evening in the school's beautiful gymnasium under the direction of our very capable instructors, Mrs. Lise Christensen and Mrs. Irma Quitzau, to Mrs. Lis Johansen's musical accompaniment.

It was a real pleasure to see the response at all ages — the youngest was 6 years of age and the oldest 65 — all equally welcome.

We started 3 separate ladies' teams in order to satisfy the interest of everyone.

On Wednesday, October 18, we started boys' and men's teams under the instruction of Mr. Otto Henriksen, with 17 boys and 14 men enjoying the exercise, and many of them the following shower.

This year we have, it seems, been able to secure the most satisfactory location yet. The gymnasium, dressing room and shower are spotlessly clean, and all conveniently located. Parking the family jalopy is no problem, and buses are on Jasper Avenue only one block away.

However, we are not satisfied! We want more participants — so please come out and exercise the lazy bones. We especially emphasize keep-fit gymnastics for everyone let us train your boy and girl

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Buford

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Pearson; Chaplain — Jimmy Erickson; Master of Ceremonies — Harvey Eklund; Guard — Clifford Olson.

After the meeting and lunch, a short ball game was played. Plans were made and committees set up for a Hallowe'en party on October 22.

A new member, Jimmy Anderson, was accepted into the Club.

Lodge members and the entire district were saddened by the passing of a pioneer and Charter Member, Mrs. Anna Anderson, who died in the Devon Civic Hospital at 6:00 a.m. on Sunday, October 15, at the age of 85 years, 7 months, 18 days. She was born in Gagnef, Sweden, in 1876, and came to the U.S.A. with her parents, the Andrew Rensstromes, in 1880. She married L. Olaf Anderson on December 14, 1894, and came to Glen Park, Alberta, on February 19, 1904, where she resided until her death.

Mr. and Mrs. Anderson raised a family of three sons and five daughters.

She leaves to mourn her loving husband, L. Olaf Anderson, one son Melvin, in Edmonton, five daughters, Hilda, Mrs. Gust Modin, Glen Park; Grace, Mrs. Floyd Maxwell; Florence, Mrs. Earl Erickson; Rosella, Mrs. Helge Forsberg; all of Edmonton; and Lillian, Mrs. C. Keith French, of Hanna; twenty-one grandchildren, forty-eight great grandchildren, and two great grandchildren.

She was buried in the Swedish Lutheran Cemetery at Calmar on October 19. Pall-bearers were grandsons Floyd Modin, Earl Anderson, Neil Forsberg, Rodney Forsberg, Keith Marwell and Roy Maxwell. The following Lodge members were Honorary Pall-bearers: Julius Bergstrom, Hilfred Bergstrom, Eric Kvarnberg, Emil Kvarnberg, Albin Markstadt and L. Andrew Pearson. The Chairman and Chaplain gave the usual graveside message.

Our October meeting will be past before this appears in print, and nominations of officers will begin at that meeting. All members are strongly urged to attend the November meeting on November 30, so that there will be a goodly number to vote at the election of officers for 1962. Let us turn out — everyone — so that there will be plenty of variety for nominations and elections!

Floyd Modin has been appointed as District Deputy for Buford Lodge No. 577.

Mrs. Mabel Sol is home again after having undergone surgery in an Edmonton hospital.

Bert Pearson has begun building an addition to his dairy farm.

DANIA

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winter's program on Monday, October, and Wednesday, October 18th. The following classes are held EVERY MONDAY at 7:00 p.m.: Girls (basic gymnastic) with Mrs. Lise Christensen as instructor; 9:00 p.m.: Ladies' (basic gymnastic, keep fit, designed for housewives, mothers and others) with Mrs. I. Quitzau as instructor. Both groups of ladies will have musical accompaniment. The attendance the first night was good with 15 at the 9:00

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Club fees are as follows: Family

—\$10.00; One Adult—\$7.50; One Child—\$3.50 . . . for the season. All classes are held in the Oliver School gymnasium at 117 Street and 102 Avenue, a school very centrally located and easily reached by taking either Bus No. 5 or No. 7 on Jasper Avenue. The gymnasium is new and has a very clean, shining floor which is an open invitation in itself. There are also hot and cold showers for use after classes.

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Last week, Premier Benediktsson was main speaker at a meeting in Oslo, arranged by the Nordic friendship society Norden and the Nor-

wegian-Icelandic Federation. His topic was "Iceland's Norwegian Heritage." On his arrival in Oslo, the Premier told reporters that co-operation between the two countries is very good, indeed, and that Icelanders are keenly interested in Norway. He said Norwegian literature is widely read, to a large extent in the original language.

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Sons Of Norway

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LEIF ERICKSON NIGHT,
OCTOBER 14

A varied and pleasant evening of program, bingo and dancing was held under the direction of Sunray Junior Lodge on October 14 at the Masonic Temple. During the evening coffee and lunch were served. Mr. A. Vanoni, Junior Director, introduced Mr. G. Johnson, who was master of ceremonies.

SALUTE TO "SYD NORGE,"
OCTOBER 20

Miss Ruth Hammerstad was hostess for the social evening held October 20 at the Masonic Temple. With the assistance of the Ladies' Auxiliary, members enjoyed a very tasty repast. A highlight of the evening was the Norwegian handicraft display under the direction of Mrs. S. Tyehsen.

FOLK DANCING,
SUCCESSFUL BEGINNING

Mrs. M. MacDonald reports that there was a good turn-out of children and adults to the first evening of folk dancing held on October 7 at the Masonic Temple.

Dancing instruction under the direction of Mr. Arneberg will continue on the following dates: November 3, November 25 and December 1. Special instruction for children will take place from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Instruction for adults (those over 18) will commence at 8:30 p.m.

The entire family is invited to attend on the above dates at the Masonic Temple. Why not everyone join in the fun—only \$5.00 per family for the entire season, or 50 cents per person per night.

SONS OF NORWAY
LADIES' AUXILIARY

The Sons of Norway Ladies' Auxiliary will not hold its November meeting at the home of Mrs. S. A. Sorenson as previously planned. Instead a meeting of the ladies will precede the Folk Dancing at the Masonic Temple on Friday, November 3, at 7:00 p.m.

EVERYONE—KEEP FIT.
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were Mrs. B. Sorenson, Mrs. N. Naversteth, Mrs. M. Amdam, Mrs. R. Sivertsen and Mrs. S. A. Sorenson.

NORWEGIAN LADIES' CLUB

Mrs. M. Myhre was hostess on Wednesday, October 18, when the Norwegian Ladies' Club held their October meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Svidal and their two sons visited Mr. Svidal's parents at Coronation for the Thanksgiving weekend. This was also the occasion of Mr. M. Svidal's 75th birthday.

Thanksgiving weekend brought visitors to the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Fawell and their two daughters from Adanac, Saskatchewan, visited briefly.

Mr. J. Lineham is now back at work after his recent stay in hospital.

Mrs. S. Halberg is resting at her home following her recent illness. Mrs. W. Smith (nee Esther Halberg) and her son from Sudbury are visiting at the Halberg home.

Miss E. Engen is recuperating from a recent operation at the University Hospital.

Mr. S. A. Sorenson attended the Sons of Norway Lodge meeting at Claresholm on October 21. In his capacity of president of the Fourth District he presented the President-of-the-Year Award. He was accompanied from Calgary by Mr. C. Frederickson, president of Calgary Lodge.

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Wednesday — 7:00-8:00 p.m., boys; 8:00-9:00 p.m., advanced group.

BOWLING BY-LINE

The Sons of Norway Bowlers are rolling 'em fast and furiously. The team standings are very close together and the statistics line up as follows:

Ladies' high single, Edel Jacobsen, 287; Ladies' high triple, Edel Jacobsen, 713; Men's high single, Arnold Mjaatveit, 313; Men's high triple, Bernard Olafson, 692; Team high single, Midnight Suns, 1,260; Team high triple, Northern Lights, 3,405.

Bowling secretary, Ruth Logan, reports that more spare bowlers are needed. Anyone interested should phone her at GE 9-0347.

On behalf of the Sons of Norway Ladies' Auxiliary Mrs. M. MacDonald was hostess at a tea held in Immigration Hall to honor new citizens. Assisting Mrs. MacDonald

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THE WIDE, WIDE WORLD

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Perhaps this evening you will go for a walk in the mellow dusk of Autumn. It is that thoughtful time of the year when the sky seems so very near. In the vast canopy over your head, the stars seem to crowd each other for space. Little twinkling points of light.

LITTLE points of light? The diameter of the earth is not quite eight thousand miles. The star named "Arcturus" has a diameter of about twenty million miles!

Then again, there is Mira. Scientists give us indisputable proof that this star is thirty thousand billion, or in figures — 30,000,000,000 — times as great in volume as the earth.

IT SEEMS incredible. You can scarcely imagine it. It crushes your comprehension when you are told there are millions of such stars. Standing there in the starlit dusk, you can only ask yourself, "Where has all this come from?"

All that science can tell you is this: the universe is a black, yawning immensity, pierced here and there by suns which are mere pin-points of light in this vast cold chasm of night.

YOUR question rises again. Where has it come from? Did this tremendous universe, whose very vastness overwhelms human thought, just happen to begin? Does it explain its own existence?

Only by doing violence to your reason and common sense could you claim this wonderful system of worlds made itself. Nothing ever makes itself. There is only one possible explanation. It must have been created! By their scientific research, many modern scholars are led spontaneously to this conclusion.

THE VAST SUNS of the universe, as they wheel with the speed of light along their gigantic orbits; the limitless chasm of black night in which we float; all cry out: There is a God.

He made the world—He made all things that are made—He made you. One Who always was, and always will be—He is your Creator. He is your God.

GOD, however, is not a remote power, who rules the universe from afar. He is our loving Father, who sent His Son into the world in order that He might share His life with us.

God wants to unite us to Himself. Therefore we must know Him. We must know Him not merely by observing the world about us, the work of His hands, but by learning what He has told us of Himself.

Religion is a great blessing if you really have it but it can be a nuisance if you only think you have it.

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